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This letter is in response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted" mailed on March 29, 2002 which indicated that the Declaration for the subject patent application is missing and that the drawing sheets do not have appropriate margins. A copy of "The Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted" is enclosed.

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application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63. Additionally, enclosed are substitute drawing sheets in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

Please charge the \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of the fully executed declaration to Deposit Account No. 16-1852. Please charge any additional requisite fees for filing the enclosed Declaration and Power of Attorney and substitute drawing sheets or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1852. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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